

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS, AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
in and for the STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF THE)	
NOTICE OF INTENT AND RECLAMATION PLAN)	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
SUBMITTED BY KENNECOTT COPPER CORPORATION,)	
UTAH COPPER DIVISION, BINGHAM CANYON MINE,)	No. ACT-035-002
TOOELE AND SALT LAKE COUNTIES, UTAH.)	

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN TOWNSHIPS 1 THROUGH 4 SOUTH, RANGES 1 THROUGH 3 WEST, SLBM, TOOELE AND SALT LAKE COUNTIES, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that tentative approval was given on September 8, 1976, by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, to Kennecott Copper Corporation, Utah Copper Division, P.O. Box 11299, Salt Lake City, Utah 84147, to continue copper and other mining in Salt Lake and Tooele Counties, Utah. Mining and associated activities will continue on various sections within Township 1 South, Range 2 West,; Township 1 South, Range 3 West,; Township 2 South, Range 2 West,; Township 3 South, Range 1 West,; Township 3 South, Range 2 West,; Township 4 South, Range 2 West,; and Township 4 South, Range 3 West,; all SLBM. The mine is known as the Bingham Canyon Mine. Representing Kennecott Copper Corporation in this matter is Mr. B.B. Smith, General Manager, P.O. Box 11299, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84147.

The Utah Copper Division of Kennecott Copper Corporation has fulfilled obligations under the Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Sec. 40-8, U.C.A., 1953, as amended), and will employ the following reclamation techniques on approximately 23,000 acres which comprises the land affected.

During Operations:

- 1) Rock waste will be deposited in designated locations.
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- 3) Pit discharge water will be processed and neutralized, impounded, utilized, or receive safe disposition.
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After Operations:

- 1) Unusable buildings, scrap lumber, and metal, and trash will be disposed of from all areas of the land affected.
- 2) Open pit rock slopes will be stabilized by abandoning at slopes ranging from 32° to 37°.


- 3) Revegetation for site stabilization will be performed on specified areas of the land affected where found by testing to be technically and economically feasible.
- 4) Specific alternatives for eventual use of all portions of the land affected which have been submitted in the reclamation plan, will be considered upon abandonment.

Reclamation performance surety will be established upon final approval of the reclamation plan.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision is hereby requested to submit written protest within 30 days of September 17, 1976, to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116, setting forth factual reasons for his complaint, and thereafter, at a time and place heretobe established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining, to show cause, if any there be, why this plan should not be approved.

DATED this 10th day of September, 1976.

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